March 4

I suppose the Prisoners in Virginia are now on their way to Brown Book Nolands Ferry, as Governor Jefferson hath already advised me that Letter 2 the situation of Affairs in that State compelled him to put them in Motion; and I have desired him to give your Excellency the earliest Notice of their Movement, that a Guard might be ready prepared to receive them at the Borders of Maryland

> It will also be necessary that President Reed have previous seasonable Notice of the Time when the Prisoners will enter the State of Pennsylvania

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[Dun Ochiltre, Annapolis, to Gov. Lee.]

After my long and expensive Journey am now like to be under Letter 45 the necessity of returning without doing any business being yesterday obliged to leave the Hon1 Council without knowing whether they meant ever to pay the Draught or not. I know Gen¹ Gates will not believe my Verbal Assertion that I am put of without any Satisfaction & will therefore Apply to no other resource I proposed to take orders on the treasury but could not obtain them from which Circumstances I Conclude the draught is not to be answered at all but is at the same time Surprized that was not openly declared in Council.

> Intruding as it is I am obliged to apply to your Excellency to know what I am to understand concerning this matter and when you Consider the extraordinary inconveniences that I labour under I hope you will excuse me and send me an answer in a few lines by the bearer

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[Henry Dickinson, Treasr E Shore, Caroline County, to Gov. Lee.]

Yours of the second February came to hand the Twentyeth of Letter 34 February Covering a Resolve of the Assembly respecting the Col-[This list is lectors, and also yours of the 28th came to hand the fifth Instant, and Red Book, agreeable to your Request of the 2d I herewith Transmit you a List No. 28, of Balances due from the Collectors on the Eastern Shore in 1779 & 36] as also a List of Balances due from the several Collectors for the year 1780 so fare forth as is in my Power, as you will see from the returns herewith sent, but the Negligence of the Commissioners of the Tax on this shore is such for want of their returns, its out of my Power to Assertain the Exact Balances due the State; I should have put several of the Collectors Bonds in Suite, but on applying to the Clark of the General Court, I find that none of those Bonds which ought to have been Put in Suite have been return'd to his Office.

You also request in your last of the 28th February that I will send all the Tobacco and money in my hands to the Western Shore Treasurer, which I would most Chearfully have done but having been Confined to my Bed and Room for this six Weeks Past and now hardly able to set up to doe any Business; Puts it out of my Power to goe with my self and dont know of any Person to be Hired at this